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LONG Society (Congregational) derived its name from its location on the long, narrow strip of land east of the Thames and Shetucket rivers which formed the eastern boundary of the original town of Norwich (then nine miles square), and extended from the present village of Poquetanuck to that of Plainfield. The church was organized in 1726, under the pastoral care of the Rev. Jabez Wight. The first meeting-house of the society stood where to-day stands its successor, about three miles from the centre of the city of Norwich. The church yard, from which many of the older gravestones have disappeared, lies immediately in the rear and on both sides of the meeting-house. When Norwich was divided, in 1786, Long society became a part of Preston.

Marget died Sept. 6, 1780, aged 11 days.

Mary died Oct. 5, 1782, aged 4 years and 7 months.

Children of Calvin and Marget Barstow.

Abel, son of Abel and Esther Benjamin, died Aug. 9, 1787, in his 22d year.

Mrs. Anna, wife of Elijah Benjamin, died June 5, 1794, in her 21st year.

Also their still-born child died April 31, 1794.

Deborah, wife of Elijah Benjamin, died Dec. 28, 1804, in her 29th year.

Eunice, wife of John Benjamin, born in the vicinity of Boston, Mass., 1729; died August 15, 1772, aged 43 years.

Elizabeth, wife of Elijah Brewster, died May 12, 1776, in her 45th year.

Priscilla Cook died Feb. 10, 1730-31, in her 15th year.

Sally, daughter of Amos and Alletty Corning of New York, died Dec. 15, 1794, aged 7 years.

Josiah Corning died Feb. 29, 1760, in his 51st year.

Jane, relict of Josiah Corning, died March 21, 1803, in her 88th year.

Nehemiah Corning died Oct. 7, 1797, in his 81st year.

Free love, relict of Nehemiah Corning, died Nov. 8, 1809, aged 86 years.

Lydia P., wife of Jedidiah Corning, died Nov. 29, 1836, aged 41 years.

Hiram Burtis Corning, son of Jed^h and Lydia Corning, died Jan. 10, 1818, aged 1 year and 7 months.

Elisha Corning died May 28, 1805, aged 61 years.

Cyrus Corning died June 16, 1827, aged 59 years.

Hannah, wife of Elias Corning, died July 13, 1817, aged 30 years.

Russell Dennis died Jan. 20, 1840, aged 86 years.

Zipporah, wife of Russell Dennis, died Nov. 27, 1824, aged 69 years.

Zipporah, wife of James Geer, died March 24, 1739, aged 18 years, 7 months and 24 days.

Mrs. Mary Giddings died April 29, 1733, aged 21 years.

Capt. Nathaniel Giddings died Feb. 6, [broken] in his 66th year.

Barshebe, wife of Levi Giddings, died Sept. 7, 1813, in her 36th year.

Solomon Giddings, Esq., died June 14, 1727, in his 73d year.

Andrew, son of Solomon and Sarah Giddings, was lost at sea Sept. 1804, in his 21st year.

Sarah, wife of Solomon Giddings, died July 6, 1784, in her 32d year.

Woodbury, son of Solomon and Sarah Giddings, died at Havana, Aug. 19, 1799, in his 24th year.

Ruth, relict of Solomon Giddings, died Dec. 15, 1836, aged 74 years.

John, son of Solomon and Ruth Giddings, died April 15, 1845, in his 50th year.

Anna, wife of Minor Grant, died July 24, 1820, aged 32 years.

Justin P. Grant, son of Minor and Anna Grant, died Jan. 9, 1824, aged 4 years.

Miss Anna Grant, daughter of Minor and Anna Grant, died Sept. 26, 1832, aged 24 years.

Elias B. Grant, son of Minor and Anna Grant, died Jan. 18, 1837, aged 23 years.

Denison L. Grant died Sept. 10, 1845, aged 32 years.

Peter Greene, Esq., died April 3, 1834, aged 82 years.

Sarah, wife of Peter Greene, died Jan. 7, 1834, aged 78 years.

Ebenezer Greene, son of Peter and Sarah Greene, died Aug. 17, 1808, aged 28 years.

Lucy, wife of Benjamin Fitch, died Aug. 20, 1796, in her 29th year.

Benajah Fitch died Jan. 25, 1805, in his 84th year.

Sarah, wife of Benajah Fitch, died Feb. 18, 1819, in her 93d year.

Rufus Fitch died Oct. 19, 1816, aged 51 years.

Zipporah, wife of Rufus Fitch, died June 7, 1821, aged 19.

Lyman Fitch died April 10, 1819, aged 34 years.

Washington, son of Russell and Julia A. Fitch, died July 3, 1823, aged one year and three months.

William G., son of Russell and Julia Fitch, died May 29, 1833, aged 11 months.

Deacon Benjamin Fitch died Oct. 10, 1727, in his 37th year.

Fanny, wife of Capt. George P. Harkness, died May 9, 1838, aged 32 years.

William L. Harkness, son of George P. and Fanny Harkness, died March 8, 1837, aged 6 months.

Paul Hervey died Aug. 13, 1778, in his 30th year.

Ruth, wife of Nathan Herrick, died Dec. 21, 1815, aged 60 years. [Her first husband was Paul Hervey; two stones bear this inscription. See Herrick.]

John Hervey, son of Paul and Ruth Hervey, died Sept. 30, 1787, in his 8th year.

Capt. Philip Harvey died Nov. 15, 1815, in his 72d year.

Elizabeth, relict of Capt. Philip Harvey, died March 20, 1826, aged 77 years.

Rhoda Hervey died March 6, 1776, aged 4 years and 4 months.

Philip Hervey died July 5, 1775, aged 1 year and 3 months.

Philip died at Demarara, Oct. 15, 1795, aged 20 years.

Children of Philip and Elizabeth Hervey.

Betsey, wife of Col. Paul Harvey, died Sept. 11, 1823, aged 34 years.

[This stone stands in the Greene family row.]

Ransford Harvey, son of Joseph and Betsey Harvey, died Aug. 6, 1833, aged 1 year.

Joseph H. Harvey, son of Henry and Elvira Harvey, died Feb. 14, 1845, aged 3 months and 15 days.

Roger Haskell died May 20, 1759, in his 69th year.

Mary Haskell died March 29, 1752, in her 52d year.

Roger Haskell died Aug. 14, 1791, in his 55th year.

John Haskell died Jan. 14, 1762, aged 23 years, 10 months and 12 days.

Chloe, wife of Benjamin Haskell, died May 20, 1769, in her 25th year.

Sarah Haskell, daughter of Roger and Anna Haskell, died Oct. 2, 1778, in her 6th year.

Gideon Haskell died June 16, 1798, in his 72d year.

Ruth, wife of Nathan Herrick, died Dec. 21, 1815, aged 60. [Her first husband was Paul Hervey, *q. v.*]

Benjamin Hillard died May 5, 1801, in his 49th year.

Sabra, wife of Benjamin Hillard, died April 5, 1808, in her 47th year.

Capt. Moses Hillard died Sept. 30, 1837, aged 57 years.

Sally, wife of Moses Hillard, and daughter of the late Capt. William Pride, died Sept. 26, 1823, aged 43 years. [See Pride.]

Sarah Hillard, wife of T. C. Stewart and daughter of Moses and Sally Hillard, died at Pass Cavallo, Texas, May 10, 1852, aged 34 years. [See Stewart.]

Martha, wife of Capt. Moses Hillard, died Sept. 29, 1850, aged 60 years.

Capt. Chester Hillard died at Havana, Oct. 27, 1817, aged 31 years.

Benjamin F. Hillard was lost at sea near the coast of Spain, July 28, 1820, aged 19 years.

George W. Hillard died in the island of Medeira, March 3, 1830, aged 33 years. Also his wife Sarah C. Hillard died at the same place, Nov. 18, 1829, aged 29 years.

Col. Russell Hinckley died April 13, 1845, aged 41 years.

Sophia, wife of Col. Russell Hinckley, died May 3, 1837, aged 37 years.

Russell Hiram Hinckley died July 3, 1629, aged 1 year and 7 months.

Frederick J. Hinckley died June 19, 1831, aged 3 days.

Russell W. Hinckley was drowned in the River Thames Sept. 2, 1835, aged 6 years.

Frances S. Hinckley died Jan. 14, 1839, aged 7 years.

Children of Russell and Sophia Hinckley.

Samuel Holden died July 12, 1826, aged 61 years.

Ruth, relict of Samuel Holden, died Aug. 2, 1839, aged 74 years.

Rebekah, daughter of Samuel and Ruth Holden, died Sept. 22, 1806, in her 11th year.

Jacob Newton died Sept. 16, 1843, aged 95 years.

Lydia, widow of Jacob Newton, died Sept. 24, 1852, aged 96 years.

Benjamin Olin died July 31, 1848, aged 80 years.

Sally, wife of Benjamin Olin, died July 5, 1841, aged 68 years.

Mr. Jesse Palmer died Aug. 10, 1807, aged 65 years.

Mrs Abigail, relict of Jesse Palmer, died June 14, 1825, aged 63 years.
 Capt. William Pride died Jan. 9, 1811, aged 71 years.

Abigail, relict of Capt. William Pride, died July 3, 1835, aged 90 years.

Sally, wife of Moses Hillard and daughter of the late Capt. William Hillard, died Sept. 26, 1823, aged 43 years. [See Hillard.]

Capt. Herbert Pride died Aug. 10, 1819, aged 51 years.

Capt. James Richards died Feb. 19, 1778, aged 36 years. Also James Richards, Jr., died in Demerara, July 8, 1801, aged 23 years.

Deacon Joseph Roth died May 10, 1774, aged 55 years.

Sarah, wife of Deacon Joseph Roth, died [broken].

Samuel Roath died Dec. 28, 1804, in his 83d year.

Martha, relict of Samuel Roath, died March 26, 1818, in her 88th year.

Charlotte, wife of Zebulon R. Robbins, died Aug. 26, 1830, aged 24 years.

Infant daughter of Zebulon R. and Charlotte Robbins, died July 18, 1830, aged 1½ months.

[A tomb bears this inscription:] Capt. John Smith. 1780.

Samuel Stebbins died Nov. 6, 1838, aged 56 years.

Sarah Hillard, wife of T. C. Stewart and daughter of Moses and Sally Hillard, died at Pass Cavallo, Texas, May 10, 1852, aged 34 years. [See Hillard].

Ezekiel Story died Aug. 20, 1752, in his 52d year.

Jabez Story died June 10, 1817, aged 34 years.

Hannah, wife of Jabez Story, died Jan. 27, 1807, in her 73d year.

James S. Story died Nov. 8, 1778, in his 16th year.

Lucy Story died March 21, 1774, in her 16th year.

Mary Story died June 26, 1782, in her 22d year.

Children of Jabez and Hannah Story.

Jonathan Truman died Oct. 28, 1833, aged 70 years.

Mary, wife of Jonathan Truman, died Oct. 16, 1843, aged 78 years.

Capt. William H. Truman, son of Jonathan and Mary Truman, died at sea, on the coast of Africa, May 21, 1835, aged 27 years.

Rev. Jabez Wight, late Pastor of the Church of Christ in the 2d Society of Preston, who, in the 52d year of his ministry and the 82d of his age, on the 15th day of Sept. 1785, entered into the joy of his Lord.

Ruth, consort of Rev. Jabez Wight, died March 16, 1766, aged 63 years.

Capt. Jabez Wight died Aug. 9, 1787, aged 59 years.

Sarah, relict of Capt. Jabez Wight, died Oct. 3, 1788, aged 60 years.

Capt. John Williams died Jan. 11, 1741, aged 61 years, 10 months and 22 days.

Mary, wife of Capt. John Williams, died March 9, 1745, in her 67th year.

William Williams, son of Joseph and Eunice Williams, died Nov. 17, 1750, in his 2d year.

Hannah, wife of Joseph Williams, died Sept. 28, 1744, in her 22d year.

John Williams, son of Joseph and Hannah Williams, died March 27, 1745, in his 2d year.

Joseph Williams died March 10, 1768, in his 38th year.

Simeon Williams died Oct. 19, 1792, aged 18 years.

Betsey Williams died Dec. 13, 1792, aged 26 years.

Children of Simeon and Anna Williams.

Moses Williams died April 8, 1803, aged 80 years.

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